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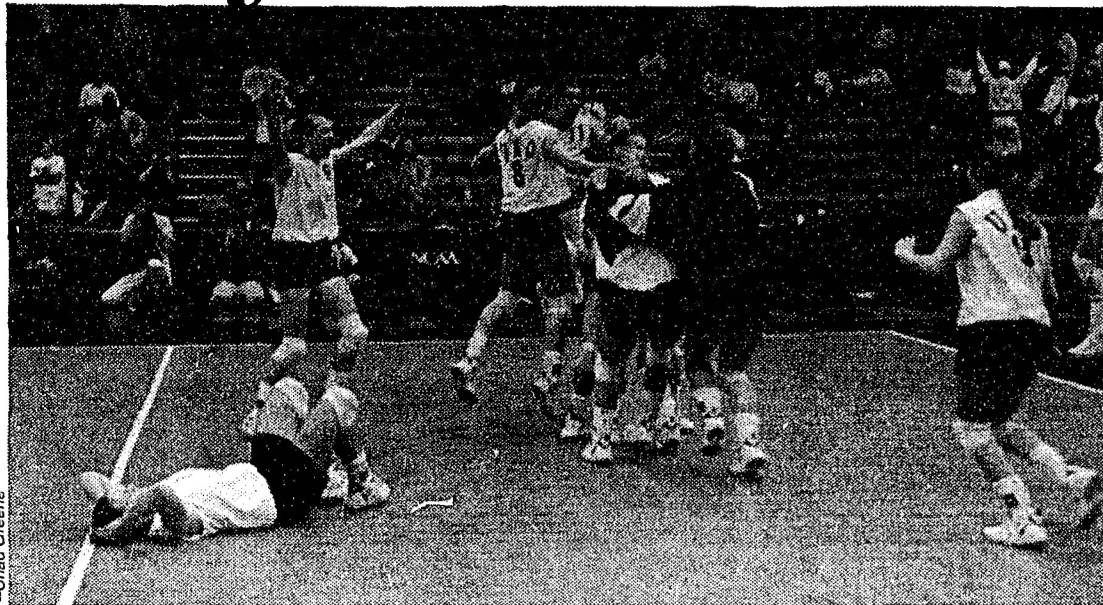
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## Lady Mavs National Champs



After winning the Division II championship game Monday night, the Lady Mavs celebrated their national title.

By JONATHAN PELPHREY

WARRENSBURG, Mo. -- It was clearly visible in their eyes Monday night — Mission: Accomplished.

The Lady Mavs, in winning their first-ever national championship by edging the University of Tampa in five games, fulfilled their pre-season goal of being the best team in Division II volleyball.

"It's how I think we all dreamed it would turn out," said Head Coach Rose Shires. "This championship is, without a doubt, the most important thing that's ever happened to me because I know how hard these people have worked. I know what they sacrificed to get here."

For UNO setter Amy Steffel, the team's only senior, the championship was the culmination of four years of hard work. "Winning a national championship has been my dream," she said. "It's been one of my goals."

Shires said the hard work was worth it. "These girls have really sacrificed. But I made a promise to them at the beginning of the year that the feeling they would have when they won it would be worth absolutely everything they did."

The tears of joy shed after the victory said she was right.

"When we first came out on the court our first day of practice, we knew it was going to be hard work and it wasn't just going to be given to us and that we were going to have to give it everything we had," outside hitter Erin Shafer said. "But we believed it was going to happen. And we

believed everyday, even if we didn't have a good practice, even if we lost a match. We stayed with each other and we worked through the hard times to be where we are today."

Steffel said mental toughness and perseverance made a big difference for the team this year. Shires said the team used analogies and visual imagery to mentally prepare themselves to be strong throughout the season.

The Lady Mavs needed to draw on that strength Monday. After going to five games Sunday night in a hard-fought victory over third-ranked Northern Michigan, it was conceivable that there might have been a let-down Monday night.

"It was a hard-fought battle, and very emotionally draining," Shires said after Sunday night. "But we had the ability to come back and recuperate."

Heading into the championship match, Shires said the team had no doubts about whether they could win or not. "After beating Northern Michigan and teams like Minnesota-Duluth and Nebraska-Kearney this year, we knew that if we stayed mentally tough throughout the match we could win."

The match certainly started on a good note for the Lady Mavs. Shafer opened with a service ace to put UNO ahead

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### Job preparation, ups and downs

## Internships Become True Learning Experiences

By KARA SCHWEISS

Practical job experience, paid or unpaid, is a requirement for some degree programs at UNO. This experience can come from an internship, practicum, or student teaching.

Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs John Farr said curriculum committees set up internship requirements, though an exact figure for the number of majors which require them is not tracked.

"Every college and/or department will set them up and develop requirements individually," Farr said.

The current UNO course catalog lists over 20 majors which require or offer internships, practicums, or student teaching. The term "student teaching" applies solely to education majors. The term "practicum" generally refers to graduate programs with higher hours requirements, although the terminology varies by department. The student earns credit for the internship, and some students are officially employed and paid by the provider.

"We treat the internship a lot like a job. The students prepare a letter to the potential employer, develop a resume, and seek an interview," said Joe Davis, professor and counseling department chair.

Abra Poindexter, a social work graduate student, said she is required to complete 512 hours for her practicum, and does not feel the requirement is unreasonable.

"It's helpful for presentations within the community and public speaking," she said.

Many departments set up contact with potential internship providers, Davis said. This gives the provider an opportunity to choose the best candidate exactly as if the student were applying for employment.

"They interview three or four (potential) interns and take their pick," Davis said.

Davis said students ultimately are responsible for finding their own internship, and some are even able to develop their own employer contacts independent of the university. This autonomy also gives the student an opportunity to withdraw from a particular internship if problems arise.

"Thankfully, they let you shop around," broadcasting senior Jonathan Murnane said.

His first potential intern provider, a local television station, proved to be unsatisfactory. "I was hired by one person and told

one thing by them, then my actual boss turned everything around. It was a lack of communication on their part," he said. "My first night, there was no training. They said, 'you're floor director — here's a headset.'"

Murnane completed 12 hours of his required 90 before quitting that internship and finding another to replace it. He said he was glad to be able to do this before his hours commitment with the intern provider was too great to reasonably find a new one.

"We found something else that became a tremendous opportunity I wouldn't have known about," he said.

Poindexter's practicum is unpaid, and she said this has made her feel occasionally taken advantage of.

"Sometimes you can be used for secretarial work that gives you no new knowledge," she said.

Despite some mixed feelings, Poindexter said most of her practicum experience has been useful.

"I wouldn't want to go into the field without it," she said.

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## Frat Party Turns into Police Raid



Four Tau Kappa Epsilon residents at 3319 California St. and 18 partygoers were arrested by undercover police officers Nov. 30.

By BRIAN J. TODD

A beer party turned into a police raid 10 minutes past midnight Nov. 30 when Omaha Police officers made 22 arrests at a Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity house at 3319 California Street.

Minor-in-possession (MIP) citations were issued to 11 women and 9 men ranging from 18 to 20 years in age, said police spokesman William Muldoon.

Four men who, according to police reports, live at the residence received citations for various other charges. Scott Franks and Christopher Cook, both 23 years old, were cited for selling liquor without a license and distributing alcohol to minors. Jarrett Trask, 20, was cited with possession of drug equipment in addition to minor in possession. Benjamin Salisbury, 20, was charged with selling liquor without a license and distributing alcohol to minors in addition to minor in possession.

Muldoon said two undercover officers arrived at the house at 12:10 a.m. on Nov. 30, knocked on the door and asked Salisbury, who answered the door if he had any alcohol.

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## Pain in Illness, Not Immunization

By BETH WARNER

Some parents are reluctant to immunize their children because they worry it will hurt the child. Dr. Sherry Shrestha of Alegent Health emphasized that the pain of immunization is minor compared to the pain of illness. She addressed about a half dozen people Nov. 14 at an hour-long immunizations workshop held at the Martin Luther King Center near 30th and Emmet Street.

Shrestha worked in Nepal, where she saw people with illnesses that people here consider extinct.

"If you don't have your kid immunized, he can get a third world disease," said Shrestha. "If more people don't get immunized, a larger pool of people will be susceptible (to illness)."

"We all know we have to do it," she said of immunizations. "The bottom line is to have a healthy child," said Shrestha.

She children should be immunized against chicken pox, "No one dies from chicken pox, but it is a miserable disease." On average, a child with chicken pox will have 500 sores, which itch and hurt, particularly when they get in the mouth. Cool baths and Calamine lotion help to relieve itching, but do not help the illness go away faster, Shrestha said.

Shrestha remembers having measles as a child. "You feel rotten for about two weeks," she said. Children with measles could get high fevers, Shrestha said, and if uncontrolled they can become dehydrated, making them susceptible to pneumonia. "We didn't die from it, but people from Nepal did," she said.

Rubella, also known as "three-day measles," is not as serious as measles, but it is dangerous for pregnant women. "If a pregnant woman gets it she is more likely have a child born with defects," Shrestha said. Polio is caused by a virus and can cause crippling. A vaccine for polio exists, and is usually given orally in three doses. If a family member has AIDS, however, Shrestha said the child can receive a vaccine in the form of a shot.

"We are getting down on the number of people getting immunized (in Nebraska)," Shrestha said. "It's very important to bring

immunization records to the doctor and talk about it."

Children are immunized for diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus (DPT) at the same time. Diphtheria can be a devastating disease, Shrestha said. A child with the illness can develop a membrane at the back of the throat and need a tube to breathe. The child can also develop a heart problem.

In pertussis, also known as "whooping cough," the child's cough sounds like a barking seal. Shrestha said whooping cough isn't so harmful for adults, but it is exhausting for a baby to cough that hard.

Tetanus, Shrestha said people typically think of tetanus as coming from stepping on a rusty nail, but it can come from other sources.

She said tetanus is harmful because the muscles become paralyzed, including the muscles that are necessary for respiration.

The disease lasts a long time. "It's not a disease anyone wants," she said.

Shrestha said it is important for people to be immunized for hepatitis B. People contract the disease from blood transfusions, dirty intravenous needles, and sex.

Shrestha said some parents don't immunize their child for hepatitis B because they say, "My child won't become a drug addict...of course we hope they won't," but it is important to be on the safe side.

"We're trying to make it a dead disease," Shrestha said.

There are few valid reasons not to immunize a child. She said some parents think their child should not receive a shot if the child has a cold, but this isn't true. "A little cold or cough, that's not a reason," Shrestha said. Neither is an ear infection or taking antibiotics, she said.

Shrestha said the chicken pox vaccine won't be given to children if there is a pregnant woman in the home, "but pregnancy doesn't last forever," Shrestha noted.

Babies born prematurely should get shots on the same schedule as babies who are born at full term.

## To Live...Per Chance to Dream

By KARA SCHWEISS

Dreams are the subconscious mind's way of communicating with the conscious mind, dream workshop instructor Angela Simerly said.

"It's a message from your higher self or that part of you that works through problems," she said.

Dreaming occurs during certain stages of sleep and is characterized by specific brain wave patterns. Everyone dreams, although the ability to remember dreams depends upon the point in the sleep cycle at which the individual awakes and if the person makes an effort to recall the dream upon waking. Simerly said that persons who consciously tell themselves before sleep they will remember their dreams tend to recall them more clearly when awake.

"It sounds simple, but it works," she said. "You're programming yourself."

In her workshops, Simerly discusses how certain cultures, both ancient and modern, value dreams and consider dream imagery particularly valuable.

"In our ancient past, dreams were very, very important," she said. As for modern American society, "I think it's something we're still not really sure about," she said.

Images supplied in dreams may be used in therapy to discover personal issues the dreamer cannot consciously identify. Individuals interested in analyzing their dreams can usually do so without professional psychoanalysis, Simerly said.

"We can use them to help us grow as human beings," she said. "They ultimately can be used to heal parts of us that need to be healed. Dreaming works when we can't."

Cognitive dreams occur when the subconscious tries to inform the conscious mind of some issue or concern, but not all dreams are this type, Simerly said.

Recurring dreams may be cognitive, but they may also simply be a way for the mind to relieve some unresolved event by reliving

it or repeating it until it eventually subsides or the underlying issue is resolved, according to Simerly.

"It's just something you've never dealt with before. You need to deal with it eventually. Some people eventually control the dream and work it out," she said, adding that a dreamer who recognizes the dream and manages to change the actions within it may be able to resolve the underlying psychological issue on a subconscious level.

"Look at your waking life and see if there is something you can do to match that," she said.

Images may be symbolic instead of literal, Simerly said, and a challenge to interpret because the symbols mean different things to each dreamer.

"If you pick up three different dream dictionaries, they'll all say something different," she said. "And my intent is not to be a Jungian analyst."

Sometimes dream images are simply the mind's way of mulling over information obtained during the waking hours and left unexamined.

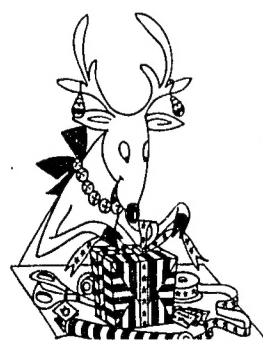
"We take in so much stimulus. It's a way to filter it all out," she said.

Nightmares, another dream type, are sometimes a reaction to a specific traumatic event, Simerly said, but can be a general reflection of psychological stress.

"There's a lot of repression, or it's a fear of self, a 'shadow' side," she said.

Simerly is self-taught, and emphasized that her goal is to assist people in exploring their dreams. In her workshops she discusses some of the physiological aspects of brain activity during sleep as well as historical information on cultural value of dreaming. She then discusses ways to remember and decipher dream imagery, she said.

Her next dream workshop is Dec. 7 at the Omaha YWCA.



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Salisbury charged the officers \$5 apiece to get into the party. After looking around the premises the officers found two kegs of beer in the basement and made the arrests, Muldoon said.

According to police reports, other items found at the party included a gold marijuana pipe, five used screens (screens are used to keep the burning marijuana from being sucked through the pipe during use) and five packages of rolling papers.

Josh Monaco, a member of the fraternity who answered the phone at the TKE house said that the residence at 3319 California St. is not a TKE house and that the TKE fraternity is not connected to that residence or any activities that occur there.

Monaco said it is an unfortunate fact that minors will drink, but claimed that the TKE fraternity house was at 3330 California St., not at 3319 California St. where the arrests took place.

However, an inspection of the property at 3319 California St. would suggest that the house does belong to the fraternity or is connected to the fraternity in some way.

Inside the house, through the windows of the enclosed porch, a large cut-out banner displaying the letters "TKE" was clearly visible. Also, the windows of the enclosed porch appeared to be sprayed with white paint, into which the letters "TKE" and slogans such as "No Police" had been written.

The UNO Registrar's Office confirmed that 15 of the 18 receiving minor in possession citations were UNO students.

Mary Mudd, UNO's vice chancellor of Student Services, said that she had not heard of any arrests at a UNO fraternity house and was unfamiliar with how the arrests would be dealt with in accordance to the student code of conduct. However, Mudd emphasized that any violations would be dealt with in accordance to the rules in the student code of conduct.

According to the UNO Student Handbook's student code of conduct, it is against university policy to participate in the unauthorized sale, distribution or use of alcohol on University property or while on University business or at University activities. The code of conduct is unclear as to whether the illegal sale, distribution or use of alcohol at an off-campus fraternity house is a violation of these rules.

# Inquiry Board: 'Nothing Happened'

By BRIAN J. TODD

A board of inquiry determined that William Waller is not guilty of the sexual harassment charges that were filed against him by Renee Novy in connection with an Oct. 15 incident.

The incident occurred in the Nebraska Room of the Milo Bail Student Center several minutes before a scheduled debate between the three original Student President/Regent candidates. Novy was one of three panelists for the debate.

The board of inquiry sent letters last week to Waller and Novy informing the two of their decision.

"The letter said that I was innocent," Waller said. "That it did not happen. That the events that occurred did not constitute sexual harassment."

Waller said he was glad the inquiry was completed, but said that he does not feel like he has won, despite the verdict. "It feels like a step backwards," he said, noting that while he stood accused by Novy, his name was still connected with the incident.

Waller said the incident will serve as a reminder to him that no matter how good your life may be, something you cannot control can sneak up on you. "You need things to put you back into reality when you're doing well," he said.

"It did not say he was innocent," Novy said. "It said the incidents did not occur exactly as I had described them. I didn't read what transpired from a prepared script as Waller did. I simply recalled the events and did not stray from what occurred and my witnesses corroborated these facts. They each gave their own respective viewpoints from the three positions in which they were sitting. The fact of the matter that I didn't need a script backs the fact that I was telling the truth."

Novy said that she was unsatisfied with the outcome of the inquiry and planned to appeal the decision.

"I do plan to appeal, but I plan to qualify my appeal," she said.

Novy said the board treated the incident as a sexual harassment case, but she had claimed all along that the incident should be treated as sexual misconduct.

Before she filed a complaint with the University, Novy said, she had called the Omaha Police Department

(OPD), described the incident to an officer and was told that the charge of sexual misconduct would be more appropriate than sexual harassment.

Novy said the police told her that sexual misconduct was a charge related to sexual assault. She has not completed signing a formal complaint against Waller with the OPD, she said, because she hoped that the University would handle the incident without "the necessity of having to go into the realm of the 'real world' and its consequences."

Novy said, "According to the strict definition of sexual harassment in the student handbook, since the definition doesn't deal directly with student-on-student misconduct and is vague in its current state as it is, the real thing about it is it would be easy to accustom that definition to whatever you want it to conform to or not to conform. So the decision doesn't come as a surprise to me."

Novy said that the letter she received from the board of inquiry stated that witnesses she had called only corroborated Waller's claim he had merely leaned over and whispered in Novy's ear.

"However, that is not what my witnesses said during their depositions and that was not what they saw," Novy said. In addition to leaning over and whispering in her ear, she said, Waller pushed her skirt with his leg and put his hand on her shoulder, holding her down in her chair.

Waller said Novy's view of the incident is just a misunderstanding on her part.

"A lot of misperceptions," Waller said. "My misperception of a friendship. Her misperception of my intent."

Novy said that even if Waller's touching was incidental, it was too personal and intimate, and made her feel violated.

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Murnane said he found the internship experience to be more beneficial than he had originally anticipated.

"Now that I've had one I wish I would have had more," he said. "Not having had one, I thought they were a waste."

Davis said students compete more heavily

for paid internships, especially those that pay particularly well, but any internship can lead to job opportunities upon graduation.

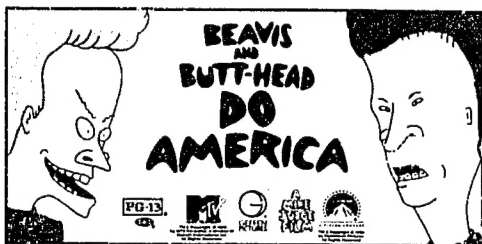
"I think they're really a great experience," he said. "Hopefully some of them will turn into job opportunities and a lot of them do."

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# Opinions & Editorials

## 'Take Championship to Heart'

I wish more of you could have been there to see it. But I suppose not everyone would be affected the same way I was. At the risk of sounding silly, I have to say that I had a hard time keeping my cool after the Lady Mavs won the national championship Monday. Since I was at the Elite Eight in the capacity of a reporter, I figured I was supposed to be Mr. Objective.

It was really very difficult, though. But not because I'm a big sports fan, or a big volleyball fan, or even a Mav fan in general. In fact, I didn't even start following the volleyball team until the middle of November. That's my loss. But in the short amount of time between then and now, I've become a real fan of these Lady Mavs.

Let me explain. For the last month or so, I've been listening to these young women talk about physical and mental discipline, two things I continually struggle to achieve. On Monday, I saw the fruits of the Lady Mavs' discipline. They set a goal (a rather lofty one, too) and, through hard work day in and day out, achieved it.

Now I don't necessarily want this to become a cheerleading

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## More to Neighbor than Mere Annoyances

Over the past few years, society's view on neighbors has drastically changed. As a child, I was taught to respect our neighbors and their property. Whenever a new neighbor moved into our neighborhood, my mother welcomed them. Being neighborly was very important — if not for safety purposes, but for the sake of being neighborly.

Today, people keep to themselves. Children can only play in the confines of their yards because parents are suspicious of their own neighbors. Our neighbors are total strangers — the only time we interact is with a simple greeting. We are suffering from the "I want to keep to myself" syndrome.

Recently, I wished I would have ignored my upbringing and followed today's attitude toward neighbors. Three weeks ago, "the neighbor from hell" moved in our apartment complex. I was glad that someone moved in across the hall, because the apartment had been vacant for two months. My joy soon turned into sorrow within a matter of two days.

The new resident was a single woman in her mid-60s. When she introduced herself, she emphasized that she was a Ms. and not a Mrs. There was a rumor going around that she was married. I did not dwell on her name, because I knew that I needed to keep our contact to a minimum. As I introduced myself, I

noticed that she stared blankly into my eyes. It seemed as if she was looking through me. I began to feel uncomfortable and I wanted to end our conversation.

She asked me a number of personal questions, such as "Are you married, or do you live with your boyfriend?" and "These young people do not respect the sacredness of marriage. They just move in with anyone and anybody."

That's not all.

The new neighbor coldly asked if we had any children. I did not answer her question, because I sensed sarcasm in her voice. She repeated her question at least three times before she realized that I was not going to answer her question.

Later that evening, I asked my husband if he sensed a problem with our neighbor. He laughed, because he intended to ask me the same question. We agreed that we needed to keep our distance from our new neighbor.

The next morning, I awoke to someone ringing our doorbell. Much to my surprise, it was our new neighbor. She needed to use our phone. Although I was annoyed, I honored her request.

I thought that she was calling our landlord, instead she called the police. Two days later she asked to use our phone. Being

neighborly, I allowed her to use the phone.

Wrong decision.

She repeatedly abused my kindness. Every morning she would ask to use the phone. Eventually, I began to ignore the door. As a result, she used other residents' phones.

During the course of three weeks, she called the police five times and the fire department twice.

Her requests were petty. She called because maintenance was stealing things from her apartment, she smelled a gas leak, or the mail carrier was stalking her.

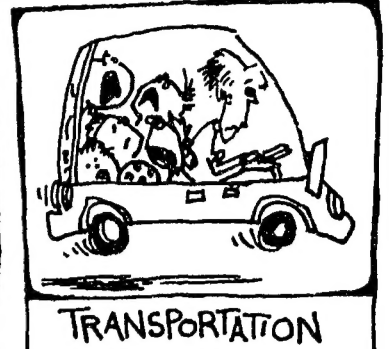
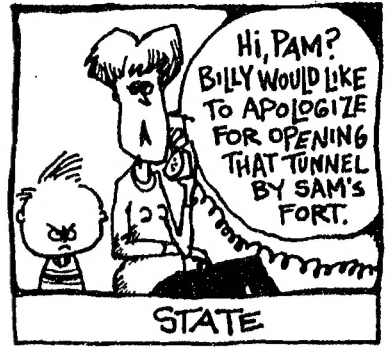
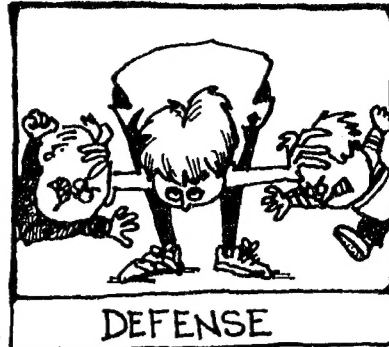
One evening, as I was pulling into the parking lot, I noticed a person standing in a snow shower. The person was not wearing a coat or hat. I immediately recognized my neighbor. I asked if she was locked out of her apartment. She simply stated, "I do not want to be in a building where I am called a troublemaker." I really wanted to help the poor woman, so I called my mother.

My mother works for the state Department of Social Services, so I asked her what services our neighbor is eligible for. My mother gave me some information to give to her, but by the time I received it she had moved. Apparently she was evicted.

Although for three weeks, my life was filled with complaints and unfounded accusations, I really learned something. Do not let one person alter your views. I am not going to deny that she was a nuisance. She was a lonely woman who needed professional help. I sure hope that she finds it.

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SALLY LANSDALE  
Columnist

“Do you think UNO's image has a negative effect on the future of its graduates?”



**Anthony Sattlefield**  
Junior criminal justice major

“No. Although there may be room for improvement, I do think UNO has a good image in the community.”



**Mary Bowden**  
Junior international business major

“No. So many students attend UNO each year and academically, it has been improved. UNO has one of the nation's top 10 business colleges, which benefits me a lot.”



**Tiffany Runnels**  
Freshman elementary education major

“No, I think UNO has a great public image. The school was my first choice and I'm happy with my decision.”



**Kimberly Fay**  
Durham Science Center Sales Staff

“No, I believe UNO's image is improving. We have increased our academic standards, added a hockey team, won almost all football games and hold the national title in volleyball.”



# Opinions & Editorials

## In Season of Giving, Bookstore Robs Students Blind

Capitalism is alive and well on the campus of University of Nebraska at Omaha.

A bright flier spilled into my lap the other day, from the UNO Bookstore. Guess what? It's book buy-back time. Time for those who spent hundreds of dollars on texts, tutorials, and assorted novels, to get a return on their "investments." It is also a chance for those "less fortunate" students to put their money to good use (good is debatable).

How about using that money for Christmas presents? Mom gets potholders, brown with green specks. A perfect accent to her kitchen. Dad gets, well, dad gets a tie (Can you really go wrong with a tie?). Statistics show that less than 10% of those who receive a tie for Christmas actually return it. Since you are almost guaranteed to see poor dad wear your sporty necktie at some point, might as well make him suffer. Try something from the totally tasteless department. I hear Bozo the Clown has his own line of fashion wear.

I've always found that girls are hard to shop for. Take perfume, for instance. What fragrance does she prefer? I don't even consider clothes, unless it is universally worn. This generally means T-shirts. Last year, one of my sisters received a Nebraska football T-shirt, the other a T-shirt by Calvin Klein. Nevertheless, it is bound to end up in a sack of clothes going to the Salvation Army.

My brother has always been the easiest to shop for, since he likes a lot of the same things I do. I always tell him not to give me a list of things he wants. I never get anything on someone's list. It's no fun unless it's a surprise. My suggestions are disregarded each December, though, and my little bro gives me a complete rundown of his wishes. He also becomes increasingly generous and caring during the month, a trait he has no doubt attained from me. My careful planning of sinister acts for 11 months, followed by the month of holiness, led many to believe I was going to change. Wrong. I am, however, seriously considering going to the local railyard and finding a piece of coal for my brother (can you gift wrap this chunk of fuel, please?).

Back to my original thought. I see the endless line at the window at the bookstore to buy back used books, and build up false pretenses in my head. I keep telling myself that the bookstore realizes it is Christmas, and will make every effort they can to give me back 100% of the money I spent. Soon though, I will realize the truth of the matter.

I spent \$300 this semester on books. How much do you think

I will get back? Let me make this a little more simple: a) \$0, b) \$300 (Sure...and Rush Limbaugh is a flaming liberal), c) \$150 (outstanding, but too much to ask for), d) \$75, e) all of the above, f) none of the above, g) some of the above. (Those last three were for all my lovely professors who find it necessary to make multiple choice questions as difficult as astrophysics.)

The correct answer: d) \$75. I will probably get back less than this, but I always set my standards high, only to be let down later.

My question is this: How much money does the bookstore make? The return on such items appears to be quite a hefty sum. It is so discouraging to fork over \$300 and get back chump change. Are students being screwed? Probably. There's some fat guy, chomping on a stogie, shuffling the sound of our book money by his ear, and snickering at the gullibility of students.

What about a bookstore boycott? We could cut out the middleman, buy our books directly from publishers, and eliminate unnecessary overhead. The book buyback program would then involve students either swapping texts with other students, or selling them for half of what they paid. This would ensure a respectable return on the investment we so dearly parted with earlier in the semester. If you haven't already guessed, my book money will be used to buy my gifts this year (potholders, ties, and T-shirts).

Oh, and if you happen to see some poor, dilapidated fellow sitting on the street corner, adult beverage of choice in hand and sporting a Nebraska football T-shirt, it's probably the one I gave my sister. Isn't the holiday season great?



Columnist

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session, but I think there are some good things for all of us to take home from this national championship.

Way back in April, Amy Steffel, the lone senior on the team, gave each of the players (and the coaching staff) a ring. Those rings, according to coach Rose Shires, were to symbolize the rings they would wear after winning a national championship. They were to be put on every day. But each player's ring was only to be worn that day if she intended to work like a national champion. Shires said none of the players went without her ring.

The team also used analogies to sharpen their minds and give them something to visualize during the heat of the volleyball match. Shires spoke to the team about the red-hot coals in the bottom of a fire pit and the need to be that intense over the course of each match and throughout the season. She also spoke about a child's game called Red Rover, and the idea that nothing could break the team if they held to each other tightly.

The team had the date of the championship game, Dec. 9, written on their shoes, in their locker room, on their water cooler. Shires said they did these things because it was important to show themselves that they believed they could accomplish their mission.

These are things that work for a volleyball team. There are different things that work for each of us during the course of our lives, as we try to accomplish various goals and dreams. But in the end, just like the volleyball team, it comes down to this: In the end, you get what you deserve.

The volleyball team paid a tremendous price to gain the national title. I think they deserve it.

At times like these, I have to look at myself and think about the sacrifices I've made (or chosen not to make). Right now, I have what I deserve. But that's not the whole story. Instead of getting down about not being on top of my game right now, I need to keep striving toward my end goal.

Coach Shires said in the press room after the game that it didn't matter what the team was ranked week 10 or week 11 during the season. "It matters to these athletes what they're ranked today — at 10 o'clock, Dec. 9."

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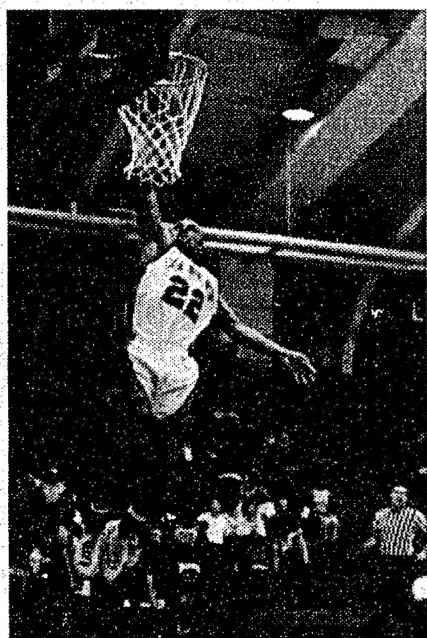
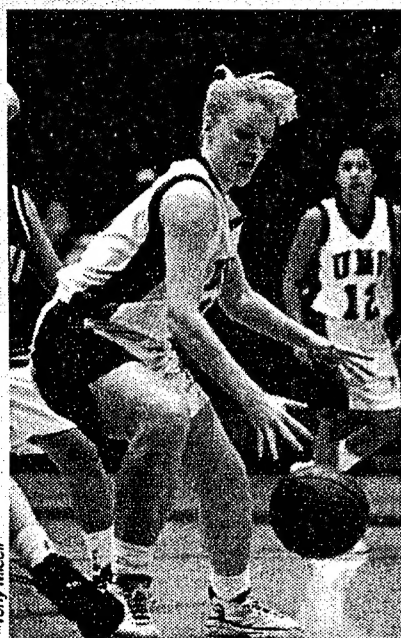
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# SPORTS

## Basketball Teams Keep Winning and Winning and Winning...



Both the Mav and Lady Mav basketball teams are posting winning records after wins against Midland Lutheran College and St. Mary College of Kansas.

BY MARYLYNNE ZIEMBA

The Lady Mavs clung to their perfect 6-0 record Wednesday night after beating Midland Lutheran College 67-45. Even though the Lady Mavs were out-rebounded, 48-36, the Lady Mavs posted higher shooting percentages than Midland Lutheran, shooting 38 percent for field goals, 50 percent in 3-point range, and 75 percent from the free throw line, compared to Midland's 29, 23 and 58 percent, respectively.

The Lady Mavs were led in scoring by Amy Loth with 15 and Stacie Kaiser with 13 points. Kaiser also added 10 rebounds.

The Lady Mavs play tomorrow night at Nebraska-Kearney and are back at home on Dec. 21 to host Hastings College at 7 p.m. For a complete Lady Mav schedule, visit our internet site at <http://www.gateway.unomaha.edu>

UNO (6-0)  
Murphy 0-1 1-2 1, Wilkinson 1-7 0-0 2, Kaiser 3-8 7-8 13, Luttman 0-0 0-0 0, Welsh 0-4 0-0 0, Feilen 1-6 0-0 0, Ohm 2-4 0-6, Loth 7-14 1-2 15, DeSmet 5-9 1-2 11, Larson 3-4 0-0 6, Schroer 0-4 0-0 0, VanFossen 4-7 2-2 10, Team 26-68 12-16 67.  
Midland Lutheran (7-2)  
Voss 3-6 0-0 9, Christainsen 1-8 4-4 7, Foreman 3-5 0-1 7, Martin 1-3 0-2 2, Schoof 4-9 4-7 12, Houchin 0-9 3-6 3, Bykerk 2-6 0-0 5, Team 14-47 14-24 45.

## Shires Named National Coach Of The Year

The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) announced Wednesday that Rose Shires, coach of the national champion Lady Mavs volleyball team, has been selected as the AVCA/Tachikara Division II National Coach of the Year.

Shires is 162-79 in seven years at UNO. She led the Lady Mavs to their first North Central Conference championship since 1987 and their first-ever national championship. Under Shires, the Lady Mavs achieved a record of 35-2 this year, the best winning percentage in UNO history.

Coming off the second consecutive game where the Mavs scored over 100 points, the first time in Mav basketball history, the men's basketball team is 6-1 in the season.

St. Mary College of Kansas never knew what hit them Monday night as the Mavs trampled them 103-69. Shooting over 50 percent in free throws, field goals and 3-point shots, the Mavs scored 26 points off steals and 25 points off rebounds.

The Mavs were led in scoring by Mike Simons with 15 and Charles Thompson with 13 points. Thompson added 9 rebounds.

The Mavs will play Dakota State Saturday at 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse and will travel to Nebraska-Kearney next Saturday. For complete Mav schedule, visit our web site at <http://www.gateway.unomaha.edu>

UNO (6-1)  
Watkins 2-2 1-1 6, Thomas 4-4 2-2 12, McLarty 3-4 1-2 7, Clark 2-4 0-0 4, Box 0-2 0-1 0, Jones 2-6 0-0 4, Smith 2-5 3-6 7, Waller 0-0 0-2 0, Simons 5-8 3-5 15, Kloewer 3-8 0-0 8, Rieves 3-4 2-2 8, West 1-2 0-0 2, Burrell 2-2 0-0 5, Green 4-8 3-4 13, Thompson 5-11 3-4 13, Team 38-70 19-30 103.  
St. Mary College (2-9)  
Hill 8-12 0-0 16, Mitchell 2-3 0-0 4, Fitzgerald 4-5 2-2 12, Greenfield 8-18 2-4 18, Johnson 2-7 0-0 4, Team 29-67 7-10 68.

## Three Lady Mavs On All-Tournament Team

The 1996 NCAA Division II Women's Volleyball All-Tournament Team was announced Monday night. Among the winners were Lady Mavs Christyn Malone, Erin Shafer, and Amy Steffel.

Malone hit .455 and recorded three service aces Saturday against New Haven, and had 14 kills while hitting .324 in Monday's championship match against Tampa. Shafer led the Lady Mavs in kills Monday with 21 on 56 attempts to hit .232. She had 5 service aces against Tampa. Steffel recorded 59 aces against Tampa and had 18 digs.

## Wrestlers Find Success in Iowa

The UNO wrestling team competed in the 46th annual Northern Iowa Open over the weekend. The Mavs performed well at the meet, held in Cedar Falls, Iowa on Dec. 7. Maverick wrestlers finished in the top six in nearly every weight class.

Final standings for Mav wrestlers:

118-pound division

Fifth-place match: Tim Cruz (Wisconsin) def.

Mark LaRock (UNO), 6-5

134-pound division

Fifth-place match: Travis Slaba (Nebraska-Lincoln) def. Brauman Creighton (UNO), 9-6

150-pound division

Championship match: Andy Reigstad (St. Cloud State) def. Chris Blair (UNO), 6-2

158-pound division

Third-place match: Dan Lovell (UNO) def. Greg Halsor (Wartburg), 3-0

167-pound division

Fifth-place match: Rick Tomaro (Miami) def. John Collins (UNO), 5-3

177-pound division

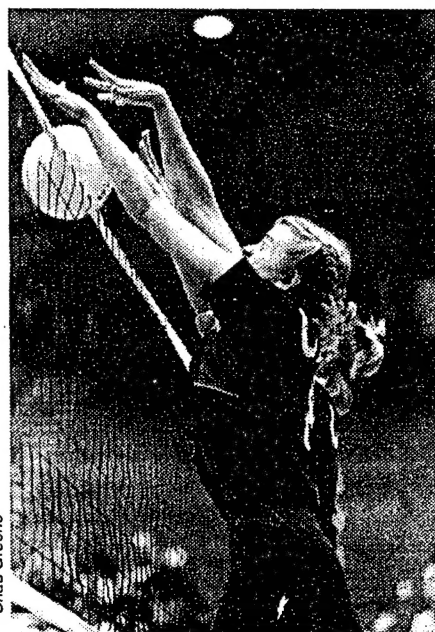
Third-place match: Cory Royal (UNO) def. Lee Weber (Iowa), 13-6

190-pound division

Third-place match: Pat Kelley (UNO) def. Zach Thompson (Iowa State), disqualification (unsportsmanlike conduct)

Heavyweight division

Championship match: Abe Boomer (Nebraska-Lincoln) pinned Jerry Corner (UNO), 3:24.



Erin Shafer (#8 in photo at right) and Kim Gerdes dominated the net last weekend during the Elite Eight Division II volleyball finals. The Lady Mavs are No. 1 in Division II.

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1-0. But Tampa stayed with the Lady Mavs and at one point led 6-2. The Lady Mavs never led by more than two points and won the game 15-13 on a kill from Christyn Malone, who finished the game with 4 kills on 6 attempts to hit .667. As a team, the Lady Mavs hit .244 in game one, versus a .109 hitting percentage for the Spartans.

Game two began disastrously for the Lady Mavs, falling behind 8-1. After Shires called time-out, however, UNO was able to turn the game around, scoring 11 unanswered points, to lead the game 12-8. But after Chris Brink's serve sailed long at 14-12, the Spartans scored two points off UNO errors, and eventually won the game 17-15 on a kill from Anna Kaloujskikh. UNO finished the second game with 22 kills and 8 errors on 58 attempts to hit .241, while Tampa had 18 kills, 7 errors and 42 total attempts to finish with a .262 hitting percentage.

"That's a very strong-minded team," Shires said of Tampa. "They definitely came at us."

The third game may have been the most important game for the Lady Mavs. Leading 5-4, Kim Gerdes, a middle blocker for the Lady Mavs, injured her shoulder in a collision with Steffel. UNO relies heavily on Gerdes to be a strong presence in the middle, both offensively and defensively and, without her in the line-up, had to turn almost exclusively to the outside hitters. Shafer stepped-up for the Lady Mavs and, at one

point, recorded five consecutive kills followed by two consecutive service aces to put UNO up 11-6.

"I think I kind-of thrive off of that," Shafer said of the pressure placed on her in game three. She said she knew what she had to do and was ready to do it. Gerdes' replacement, freshman Korrine Boltin, had very little previous playing time this season, but after a shaky start, contributed one kill and one block for the Lady Mavs.

UNO won game three 15-10, hitting a match-high .269 for the game. Shafer finished with six kills on 13 attempts to hit .462, and Tanya Cate added five kills on 10 attempts with one error to finish the game with a .400 hitting percentage. Gerdes was able to return to the match for games four and five.

Game four began and ended in much the same fashion as game two. Tampa jumped out to a 7-1 lead but, after a UNO time-out, allowed the Lady Mavs to come back to within 11-10. That was as close as the Lady Mavs got, however, and Tampa won the game 15-12, despite being outblocked by the Lady Mavs 4-1.

The fifth and deciding game was played with rally scoring, with a point scored on each serve. Tampa and UNO traded points back and forth to a 10-10 tie, neither team leading by more than 2 points, before the Lady Mavs were able to score five consecutive points to win the game 15-10 and the match 3-2.

"I think in rally scoring something special happens for one team," Tampa Head Coach Chris Catanach said. "They came up with two big blocks, went up 12-10, and we never recovered from that."

"Some of us aren't the best volleyball players," Steffel said. "But we're straight-up athletes who are dedicated and have an awesome work ethic. That has shown in what we've done this year."

"There are better volleyball players," Shires said, "but there's not a better volleyball team."

The Lady Mavs finished 35-2 and ranked No. 1 in the country.



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Hiedi, Megan, Justine and Kristie joined about two years ago to form a band called Frogpond. Little did they know, the tight harmonies and explosive dynamics that are the heart of their sound would capture the imagination of prominent musicians and booking agents alike.

## HIP HOP/PUNK



**FUN LOVIN' CRIMINALS**  
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Fueled by the funk of it and a desire to never work another lame day gig, Fun Lovin' Criminals' debut album marries hip hop's aggression, punk's insanity, blues' swagger, obscure literary references, demented plot twists and the sweat of an honest-to-god live band.

## R&B/POP



**ALFONZO HUNTER**  
*Blacka Da Berry*  
**\$11.88 CD**

Part crooner, part rapper, part saxophone and all smooth. Hunter is the latest entry into R&B's increasingly soulful arena. Like D'Angelo and Maxwell, Hunter mixes romance and music — recalling great soul singers of the 60's and 70's. This is the 23-year-old-Chicago-native's debut album.

## URBAN/ALTERN.



**LUSCIOUS JACKSON**  
*Fever In Fever Out*  
**\$11.88 CD**

This band has been building a very strong foundation of fans since their debut, "In Search of Manny." Sales of over 250,000 copies of "Natural Ingredients," and many TV appearances have set the stage for success. "Fever In Fever Out" is the next step in a career destined to be great.

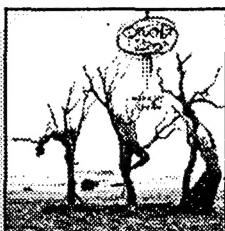
## ALTERNATIVE



**NEW WORLD SPIRITS**  
*Fortune Cookie*  
**\$11.88 CD**

First appearing on St. Louis' local alternative-rock station KPNT's "Point Essential" CD, New World Spirits track, "Bed," was the stand out song. The group have built a strong local following in Kansas and Missouri, where they consistently sell out clubs and win new fans.

## TECHNO POP



**QKUMBA ZOO**  
*Wake Up And Dream*  
**\$11.88 CD**

Since the abolition of Apartheid, the South African music scene has exploded. The sound has been a blend of World Beat, Tribal Rhythms and Edgy Pop that reflects new spirit of personal, artistic freedom... some of the most unique music in the world. Leading this revolution is Qkumba Zoo.

## ROCK



**PATTI ROTHBERG**  
*Between The 1 And The 9*  
**\$11.88 CD**

Titled after the Manhattan subway line that was the birthplace of her recording career, *Between The 1 And The 9* is an impressive debut from an exciting new artist. This release combines Patti's rock and punk attitude with her melodic songwriting and guitar-playing abilities.

## ALTERNATIVE



**MAZZY STAR**  
*Among My Swan*  
**\$11.88 CD**

Mazzy Star began performing live on the underground music scene in the late 80's, and released its first album, *She Hangs Brightly*, in 1990. Despite critical success of the first album and a rapidly growing cult following, Mazzy Star has remained an enigmatic presence in contemporary music.

## SKA



**THE SUICIDE MACHINES**  
*Destruction By Definition*  
**\$9.88 CD**

Extremely high energy four-piece ska/punk — these guys are one of the most popular new bands to hail from Detroit. The Suicide Machines "mania" is quickly spreading across the upper midwest. The band was "discovered" as a result of airplay of a demo version of their song "New Girl."

## SKA



**GOLDFINGER**  
*Goldfinger*  
**\$11.88 CD**

The follow-up to Goldfinger's highly successful EP, *Richter*, is this punk/ska album filled with raw energy, passion, and just plain fun. They tour in March.

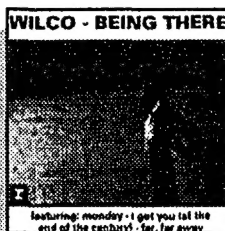
## SKA/PUNK



**REEL BIG FISH**  
*Turn The Radio Off*  
**\$9.88 CD**

Their time in the studio included sound room mosh pits, horn players recording naked and the demolition of a toilet. Reel Big Fish gathered all the experience needed to make something from a collective ball of energy and delivers one caffeine-coated charge of ska-punk after another.

## ROOTS ROCK



**WILCO**  
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Wilco return with *Being There*, an extraordinary new double album that represents an unprecedented creative explosion for a band who've earned raves for their roughed-up and rootsy sound.

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